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DELTA DENTAL AWARDS \$129,350 to CENTRAL IOWA DENTAL CLINIC PROJECTS

ANKENY, IA. April 5, 2007 -- Delta Dental of Iowa has awarded \$129,350 to two central Iowa health care facilities to support dental clinic projects. The oral health grants to Broadlawns Medical Center Foundation and Primary Health Care in Des Moines are part of Delta Dental's Public Benefit Program to meet the oral health needs of underserved Iowans.

- The Delta Dental grant of \$79,350 to the Broadlawns dental clinic will support research on the connection between periodontal disease and diabetes. The Broadlawns diabetes care coordination project is expected to reach up to 250 patients who may be high risk due to lack of preventive and ongoing dental services.



L-R: Donn Hutchins, CEO, Delta Dental; Suzanne Heckenlaible, community relations manager, Delta Dental; Gail Miller, grants facilitator, Broadlawns; Dr. Hayley Harvey, section chief, oral medicine, Broadlawns; Shelly Jordan, fund development director, Broadlawns; Jan Manson, program director, oral medicine, Broadlawns; Jody Jenner, CEO, Broadlawns.

- The Delta Dental grant of \$50,000 to Primary Health Care provides equipment funding for two dental treatment rooms that are part of an ongoing facility expansion at the federally qualified health center. Once the expansion is complete, Primary Health Care expects to be able to provide an additional 3,000 dental treatments to Medicaid or uninsured patients.



L-R: Donn Hutchins, CEO, Delta Dental; Dr. Stefanie Donnell-Randall, Primary Health Care; Suzanne Heckenlaible, community relations manager, Delta Dental; Greg Shireman, vice president, marketing, Delta Dental; Ben Bellus, board member, Primary Health Care; Bobbretta Brewton, development director, Primary Health Care; Jan Brown, dental program director, Primary Health Care.

“Delta Dental is pleased to support both Broadlawns and Primary Health Care in their missions to treat the oral health needs of those who may not otherwise have access to dental care,” said Donn Hutchins, president and CEO, Delta Dental of Iowa. “Delta Dental’s Public Benefit Program investment in access to care is especially important to providers like Broadlawns and Primary Health Care which serve high numbers of underserved dental patients.”

For more information about the Delta Dental of Iowa Public Benefit Program, visit the company’s website at www.deltadentalia.com.

Delta Dental of Iowa supports a number of community benefit programs as part of its not-for-profit mission to improve the oral health of Iowans. In 2006, the company contributed more than \$400,000 to oral health projects in Iowa, benefiting underserved children and the elderly. Delta Dental of Iowa, the largest and most experienced provider of dental benefits in the state, is a member of the Delta Dental Plans Association, a national organization of not-for-profit Delta Dental member companies. The national association is the largest dental benefits

carrier in the nation, providing coverage to more than 47 million people in nearly 81,000 employer groups.

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